

Safety

Objective: Reduce recurrence of maltreatment

Measured by: Children’s cases staffed with community  
Child Protection Teams

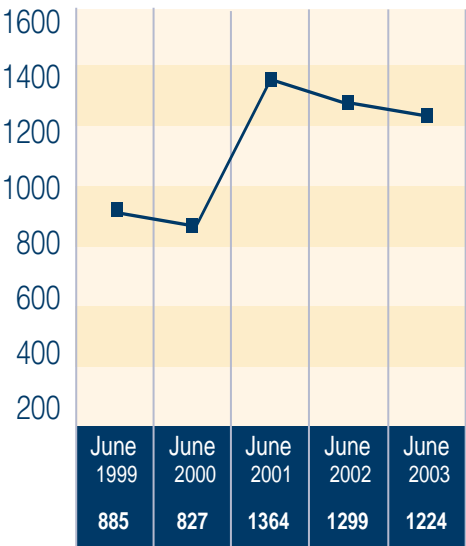
The Children’s Administration engages the expertise of community professionals to participate in decision-making regarding effective child protection in accordance with mandates specified in Executive Order (EO) 95-04.

EO 95-04 requires that Community Protection Teams (CPTs) be used on behalf of children for whom specific criteria are evident, those criteria include:

- Moderately high and high risk cases involving children age six or younger,
- Cases where serious professional disagreement exists about risk of serious injury,
- All moderate or high-risk cases prior to return home or dismissal of dependency of a child age six or younger,
- Cases opened on the basis of imminent harm, or
- Any complex case which may benefit from such consultation.

Community Protection Teams are widely used within each region. Each team consists of a minimum of four professionals each of whom is committed to the cause of child welfare but is not employed by the Children’s Administration. CPT team members may include, but are not limited to: law enforcement officers, physicians, mental health and substance abuse professionals, and other mandated reporters of child abuse and neglect.

Number of Children’s Cases  
Staffed with Community  
Child Protection Teams\*



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\* Handcount of the number of children’s cases staffed with community Child Protective Teams during the previous quarter.